

down to \$1.5 million savings, LB 413, which is a little more comprehensible in an administrative sense, would save a million and a half dollars. I think I concur with what Senator Warner and Senator Hannibal were saying about the difference between the A bills, or the fiscal notes, I guess I would just like to add to the confusion by saying that I really don't know how accurate either the first million and a half fiscal note or the \$4 million fiscal note were because of the fact that LB 2 was an incredibly difficult bill to comprehend and that is why Senator Baack brought us this bill which, in effect, repeals LB 2, but puts in its place a different cost containment methodology for special education.

PRESIDENT: Senator Higgins, please. Senator Higgins, please. Senator Baack.

SENATOR BAACK: I'm probably going to add to the confusion a little more, but I think it has been fairly well explained and I think Senator Withem did a good job of talking about LB 2 and I know we talked about this when the bill was on General File and the problem with LB 2 and why we don't know what the fiscal note would be was because the State Department of Education gathers no information based on the criteria that were in LB 2. They have no information, no source of information for that. That is why I came in with 413 which has a definite source of information. The State Department of Education has sources of information that relate directly to the criteria in LB 413 and were able to give us an exact fiscal note of LB 413 which they were not able to give on LB 2. LB 2 can be only a wild guess as to what the estimate would be and it does not include any kind of cost as to what it might take to come up with the information that would even be able to implement LB 2 because it was almost an impossible situation for the department. And I think one of the factors that Senator Warner mentioned I think is critical in this is that the budgeting process budgeted for 1.5 million. That is what the budgeting process was. They were not budgeting on the basis of the \$4 million savings. So it is not going to have an impact on the budget that we have in front of us of 2.5 million. It is not going to have that impact on that budget because that budget was based on the 1.5 million, the first fiscal note that came out on LB 2. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Warner, would you like to close on your motion?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes, Mr. President, I'd ask unanimous consent,